

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

All of the claims other than Claims 25, 25 and 36 have been cancelled. Since no prior art rejections had been applied against these claims, the prior art rejections are believed to be moot.

Responsive to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, the remaining claims no longer use means plus function language.

Applicant therefore believes that the present application is in a condition for allowance and respectfully solicits an early notice of allowability.

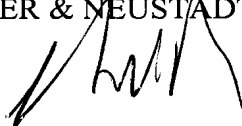
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